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Honorable Loretta A. Preska United States District Judge United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, NY 10007 Fax: (212) 805-7941

> United States v. Donald Redman, Re:

08 Cr. 247 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

A conference is scheduled in the above-referenced case for tomorrow, May 1, 2008, at 11:30 a.m. However, the parties are in the middle of plea negotiations and believe that they may soon reach a disposition of this case. Additionally, the Government must produce discovery that just became available to the defendant. Accordingly, the parties respectfully request a six-week adjournment of the conference. Should we reach a disposition before then, the Government will inform the Court and schedule a plea.

Should the Court grant the parties' request, the Government further respectfully requests (with the consent of defense counsel) that the Court exclude the time under the Speedy Trial Act until the date of the new conference, because the ends of justice served by excluding time under the Speedy Trial Act outweigh the best interest of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8). The parties have been involved in extension plea discussions; during this period, the parties will continue to discuss a disposition of this case and the Government will continue to produce discovery to the defendant.

Respectfully submitted, MICHAEL J. GARCIA United States Attorney

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